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On the 31st December, 1903, at All Souls' Langham Place, W., by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Southwark, assisted by the Rev. R. W. Carew Hunt, vicar of St. Giles', Bonding, ARTHUR FRANCIS, second son of the late GEORGE NUNN THOMAS, of Landford, Wilts, and of Mrs. THOMAS, of Landford, to DORIS GRACE (Dairy), eldest daughter of WILLIAM RICHARD LOXLEY and Mrs. LOXLEY, of Sedgemoor, Blandford, late of Hongkong. [510]

DEATHS.

On the 1st February, at Kiukiang, FREDERICK WILLIAM COLLINS, of the Chinese Customs Service, aged 45 years.

On the 5th of February, 1904, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, MARGARET SELICK, the beloved wife of STEPHEN SELICK, aged 25 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DESVIEUX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 181, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 12th FEBRUARY, 1904

PERHAPS the most important item of information which reached Hongkong yesterday was that portion of our London correspondent's telegram appearing in another column which referred to a circular Note addressed by the United States Government to the Powers. This Note, it seems, asked the Powers to join in a notification to the belligerent nations of Japan and Russia that they must respect the neutrality and integrity of China. This is the first decided step taken by the Washington Government since the state of affairs in the Far East grew really serious. It is true that, in pursuance of the terms of the recent commercial treaty between the United States and China, President ROOSEVELT has appointed representatives of the States at the new "open ports" of Mukden and Antung in Manchuria; but the effect of these appointments, as long as the *status quo* in Manchuria exists, is nugatory. If Manchuria is to remain Russian, the accrediting of United States representatives to China in Manchuria is valueless, and the clause of the treaty referring to the new ports is inoperative. Now, however, the United States have made a proposal to the European Powers that the two nations at war shall be warned to respect the neutrality and integrity of China. The effect of such a notification would be twofold. In the first place, during the war any violent act within China's territory on the part of either combatant would call for joint action on the part of the notifying Powers. That is to say, if Russia were to seize, say, the Shantung-Newchwang line or any points in Manchuria not on the Russian railway line, or were to advance into Chili; or if

Japan were to land a force in Manchuria outside Russian-leased territory, the Powers would be called upon to interfere. Secondly, at the conclusion of the war the victorious party would have no right to gain any territorial increase at the expense of China. Thus, if Russia were to win, she could not claim full possession of Manchuria as part of the spoils, and in fact would have no further rights in the province than she already has by treaty. Nor could Japan, presuming she were desirous of doing so, claim special privileges in Manchuria, or elsewhere in China, compared with the rest of the Powers. In short, whatever the result of the war, the alienation of any territory of China could in no way be involved in the final settlement between Japan and Russia.

That such an expression of determination on the part of the Powers would be eminently logical cannot be denied. Japan and Russia may be fighting for the hegemony of North-eastern Asia, but the interests of many other nations are involved in the future of North China, and neither the United States nor the leading European Powers are prepared to see their treaty rights extinguished by the victory of either disputant. If China does not become a party to the war, the Powers on their own behalf and hers should see that her territory is not treated as part of the reward of success. Of course, should China be drawn into the struggle, the question becomes intensely difficult; but we take it that the Powers, if they make such a notification as the United States suggest, will also use their influence and possibly more than moral suasion to induce China to remain impartial. If a violation of China's territory should bring about her departure from an attitude of neutrality, that is a circumstance which would have to be taken into consideration, for it cannot be expected that she will be content to see troops marching over her borders and seizing her property without any attempt at resistance. The Chinese have been anticipating a Russian move against Peking on the slightest pretext and have massed some of their best troops on the Liao River. If a collision should be provoked by Russian aggression it would not be fair to charge the fault against China of departing from a neutral attitude.

An all-important question remains to be answered. What attitude are the other Powers likely to take up in view of the proposition of the United States? Great Britain will assuredly welcome the suggestion, and if France is, as we believe, sincere in her expressed desire to secure the peace of the Far East as far as possible she must also accede. Only the glamour of that most one-sided of alliances which France has with Russia can blind her to the propriety of such a step; and there are reasons to believe that this glamour is less dazzling than of old. It is difficult to make out Germany's attitude. It has been suspected that there must have been some sort of understanding between St. Petersburg and Berlin before Russia drove Japan into war. But we can see no indication that Germany is in any wise excited at the outbreak of trouble. She has not strengthened her fleet out here, nor is there any news by telegram of such being an United States detective.

TO-night at the Victoria Recreation Club, Mr. Willie Frear will make his farewell appearance in the Colony in his well-known "Firielites" entertainment, commencing at 9 p.m. There is sure to be a big audience. Last night Mr. Frear appeared in Canton.

The following appointment was notified at the Admiralty last month:—Commander J. C. Watson to the *Zamor*, to date Jan. 4. The following appointments have been cancelled:—Midshipman—G. F. Holt, to the *Blenheim*. Naval Cadets—C. R. F. Perryman and J. E. B. Notley, to the *Blenheim*.

The last number of the *Chefoo Express* says that there were then twenty-five war-correspondents present in Port Arthur. We ought to get ample descriptions soon of the torpedo-attacks and the bombardment. The majority of the correspondents, however, seem to have sailed in Japan to start with. An addition to their ranks shortly will be Mr. Douglas Story, editor of our local morning contemporary, who left Hongkong on the *Empress of India* on Wednesday as correspondent for the *Daily* Express of London.

In spite of what some American journals have stated, both Mr. Goodnow, U.S. Consul-General at Shanghai, and Mr. Fowler, U.S. Consul at Chefoo, are returning to their respective posts. Mr. Goodnow should be in Shanghai some time in March.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge, with thanks, the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Poultry Guild \$200
Salt Fish Guild 200

A London contemporary in a paragraph referring to the demand for Cardiff coal in view of the outbreak of war says, on the 6th ultime:—Though no actual chartering took place freight rates were during the past few days moved upward for Far Eastern ports by 2s. 6d. and in one case 6s. per ton. Yesterday's chartering for Japan ports was at 2s. 6d. in one case and 2s. 6d. in another. The British Admiralty offered 19s. 6d. and 20s. for cargoes to Hongkong but owners held out for a better rate.

Official attempts to create a public opinion in favour of Russia were stated in Berlin as early as a month ago to be beginning to fail. The *Vossische Zeitung* says:—"In St. Petersburg endeavours are being made to create the impression that the Russian proposals pave the way for a pacific issue of the conflict and that the blame would entirely rest with Japan if war were to break out. The world will not let itself be influenced by these manoeuvres in its opinion regarding the quarter with which responsibility for a breach of the peace will lie. Nor will it be forgotten that the Russo-Japanese conflict is the inevitable consequence of the permanent occupation of Manchuria by Russia in defiance of treaty obligations, and that it is the result of Russia's largely successful attempts to acquire decisive influence in Korea."

The record for dilatoriness in the award of war medals is not held by the French War Office, in spite of the recent bestowal of a Sebastopol decoration forty-five years after the siege. In 1889 Captain James Gammell was awarded an honour earned by him three-quarters of a century previously. As Ensign Gammell he was present at the sortie of Bayonne, and, leaving the Army shortly afterward, never applied for the medal; the English War Office likewise overlooked his name. In 1887 steps were taken on his behalf by Colonel Balby, and at last, the veteran received his decoration with interest. A Jubilee medal was sent him by Sir Henry Ponsonby, together with a letter on behalf of the Queen; and the Duke of Cambridge, then Commander-in-Chief, bestowed on him the Panimular medal, with the clasp for the Nive. Captain Gammell was ninety-two when he received this tardy recognition of his services.

MAILS BY THE SIBERIAN ROUTE.

The Hongkong Post Office was notified by telegram from Shanghai yesterday that no mails will be received via Siberia now, the line being closed to mail.

HONGKONG AND THE PHILIPPINE UPRISE.

With reference to a special *Daily Press* telegram from Manila, dated 9th inst., to the effect that 45 of the constabulary and garrison at Vigan, Ilocos province, Luzon, had seized the barracks, liberated the prisoners, and escaped southward with 55 rifles and plenty of ammunition, it is now reported that an American is visiting Filipinos at Hongkong under various pretences. He refuses to give his name or address, and is suspected of being an United States detective.

SOLICITOR ADMITTED TO THE BAR.

On Wednesday at the Supreme Court His Honour the Chief Justice Sir William Goodman admitted to practice as a solicitor in Hongkong, Mr. T. A. Henner, who has for some time past been acting as Assistant Secretary to Mr. G. A. Woodward, of the Sanitary Board, Office, Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., barrister-at-law, who was instructed by Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, solicitor, introduced Mr. Henner to the Court. His Lordship said he found all the necessary papers in order and he welcomed Mr. Henner to the Bar of Hongkong.

By kind permission of Major Baddeley and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-night (weather permitting):—

March.... "The Washington Post"

Overture... "Nell Gwynn"..... Edward German Selection... "The Geisha"..... Sidney Jones

Song.... "Alder Weiss"..... Gustav Prussel Selection "Reminiscences of Scotland" Godfrey Wiltz. "Bleue"..... Margie

Lancers..... "H.M.S. Pinafore"..... Coote

"God Save the King"

MENU:

Hors D'oeuvres Anchovy on Toast SOUP

Turtle

FISH

Boiled Soles and Egg Sauce

ENTREES:

Grilled Fillet of Beef and Mashed Potatoes

Roast Quail and Watercress

Stewed Sheep's Head and Asparagus

Joints:

Roast Saddle of Mutton

Roast Capon

Cold Ham

CUSTARD

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Green Peas Purée of Turnips

SWEETS

Plum Pudding Jam Puffs

Chocolate Ice-cream Finger Cake

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

THE WAR.

THE ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, 10th Feb., 11.50 a.m.

Seventeen Japanese vessels bombarded Port Arthur, but the damage done was slight.

The Russian casualties were 10 killed and 56 wounded.

The *Poltava* (first-class battleship, 10,960 tons), the *Diana* (first-class cruiser, 6,630 tons), the *Astold* (first-class cruiser, 6,100 tons), the *Novik* (second-class cruiser, 3,200 tons), were damaged.

The Japanese have landed at Chemulpo. Two Russian cruisers surrendered.

[This account, it will be observed, includes no reference to the battleships *Tararevitch* and *Retzov*, and the cruiser *Pallada* which, according to a Japanese official announcement, were sunk on the morning of the 9th, and according to Admiral Alexeiff's telegram to the *Tararevitch* were "damaged"; we may therefore conclude that nine Russian warships were put out of action in the vicinity of Port Arthur. To these we have to add the *Varyag* and the *Korets* captured or destroyed at Chemulpo.—ED. D.P.]

A NOTE TO THE POWERS.

LONDON, 10th Feb., 11.50 a.m.

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REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE FISCAL QUESTION AND BRITISH GOVERNMENT POLICY.

LONDON, 9th February.

The Duke of Devonshire, speaking at a fiscal meeting at the Guildhall, said that, whatever differences there may be on the fiscal policy, all would unite in not embarrassing the Government in its anxious task of safeguarding the interests of the Empire in the Far East.

GREAT BRITAIN, RUSSIA, AND TIBET.

LONDON, 9th February.

A Russian memorandum dated 2nd February, 1903, threatened steps to protect Russian interests in consequence of the British action in Tibet. Lord Lansdowne in reply on the 18th February, 1903, informed Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador in London, that if there was any display of Russian activity, Great Britain would be obliged to reply by a display of activity exceeding that of Russia. Some weeks later, Count Benckendorff submitted a statement of Russian views, declaring that any disturbance of the *status quo* in Tibet would compel Russia to safeguard her interests elsewhere in Asia. Lord Lansdowne replied that Great Britain insisted on Tibet fulfilling her treaty obligations. Later, when the Mission advanced, Count Benckendorff made further earnest representations, to which Lord Lansdowne replied that "it was strange beyond measure that these protests should be made by a Power which all over the world never hesitated to encroach on its neighbours. If the Russian Government had a right to complain of Great Britain advancing in Tibet, what kind of language would Great Britain not be entitled to use concerning Russian encroachments in Manchuria, Turkestan, and Persia?"

THE WAR—TORPEDO ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, 9th February.

Admiral Alexeiff telegraphs that Japanese torpedo-boats attacked a squadron of Russian ships in the outer roads of Port Arthur at midnight on the 8th instant. The battleships *Retzov* and *Tararevitch* and the cruiser *Pallada* were damaged.

THE WAR.

THE FORMAL DECLARATION.

Mr. Masanichi Noma, Consul for Japan, wrote to us yesterday morning to the following effect:—

"I beg to inform you that this morning I have received the telegram from our Government to the effect that war has been formally declared against Russia by His Imperial Japanese Majesty on the 10th February, 1904."

[In view of the statements made recently about the impossibility of having a state of war without a formal declaration having been made, it is interesting to refer to Marten's *Law of Nations* on this point. At p. 279 this authority says:—

"The universal law of nations acknowledges no general obligation of making a declaration of war to the enemy, previous to a commencement of hostilities. Many of the ancient nations looked on such a declaration as essential, and it was practised in Europe till the seventeenth century; but nowadays nations content themselves with publishing a declaration of war through their own dominions, and explaining their motives to other Powers in writing. Publishing of war in this manner is looked upon as so essential that nations have often demanded a restitution of everything taken from them by the enemy before such declaration. Sometimes, however, nations get rid of such demands by insisting that the war has been tacitly declared."]

By kind permission of the Naval Authorities we are enabled to publish the following telegraphic news:—

"In the action outside Chemulpo the Japanese ships engaged were the *Azuma*, *Chiyo*, *Nanika*, and *Niitaka*. Both the Russian ships were badly damaged and were set on fire and blown up by their crews, who took refuge on board the French cruiser *Pascal*. The Japanese ships sustained no damage. The Russian steamer *Sungari* was burned in Chemulpo Harbour by the Russians."

It was reported officially from the North yesterday evening that H. M. S. *Talbot* at Chemulpo had 150 Russian wounded on board from the Russian warships *Varyag* and *Korets*. Captain J. T. Horne reports that last Friday, as his ship, the *Portland* and Asiatic s.s. *Indrapura*, was lying at Moji Harbour at 11.30 a.m. on the 9th, and the *Talbot* at 12.30 p.m. on the 10th, the *Talbot* was engaged by a Japanese squadron consisting of some six or seven battleships and cruisers passed through the straits bound west.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon in the Board Room. Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson presided, and there were also present Hon. W. Chatham, Director of Public Works; Mr. Lan Chu Pak, Mr. Fung Wa Chiu; Colonel W. E. Webb, G.A.M.C.; Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Mr. A. Ranjhan; Dr. W. W. Pearce, Acting Medical Officer of Health; Dr. B. Barnett, Assistant Medical Officer of Health; Mr. G. A. Woodcock (Secretary) and Mr. J. H. Kemp (Assistant Secretary).

REPORT OF SANITARY SURVEYOR.

Mr. J. J. Bryan, Sanitary Surveyor, forwarded his annual report for the year 1903, as follows:

New house-drains.—Plans have been deposited and passed by him during the year for the drainage of 263 houses. The plans of 713 houses were carried forward from 1902, making a total of 976 in hand during the year. The drainage of 415 houses has been completed and the plans for 350 have been cancelled, leaving 211 to carry forward to 1904.

Re-drainage and additions.—In addition to the above, plans for re-drainage of, or additions to, the drainage of 94 houses were carried forward from 1902, and new plans have been received for 269 houses, making a total of 354 for the year. Of these, 245 houses have been completed and 51 cancelled, leaving 58 to be carried forward to 1904.

Inspection of private house-drains.—The drains of 106 houses have been tested and reported on, in consequence of complaints having been received regarding them. Of this number, 50 required reconstructing, 28 amending and the remainder were found to be in order. Notices were served on the owners of the above 84 houses calling upon them to execute the necessary work. Of these 80 have been completed with and the remaining 4 are in hand. 31,780 houses have been visited by the Drainage Inspector, with the result that 1,878 drainage nuisances have been discovered. Notices have been served in each case on the owner or occupier, calling upon them to abate the nuisance. All of those have been completed with. 268 nuisances have been referred to the Medical Officer of Health and 342 to the Hon. Director of Public Works to be dealt with by them. 1705 choked drain traps on private property have been cleaned by the drainage foremen.

Water-closets and urinals.—During the past year, water-closets and urinals have been erected in the following buildings, by permission of the Board, and with the exception of those at the docks, have been connected with the public sewers: Stag Hotel, 150 Queen's Road Central, 6 water-closets, 6 urinals; Club Germania, Kennedy Road, 6 do., 6 do.; Hongkong and Whampoa Dock, Hanghong, 15 water-closets; I. L. 1633, Magazine Gap Road, 3 water-closets; 15, Connaught Road Central, 2 water-closets, 2 urinals; 12, Des Voeux Road Central, 1 water-closet. Total, 39 water-closets, 15 urinals.

New Buildings.—Certificates have been granted during the year under sections 84 of Ordinance 13 of 1901, for 47 houses, certifying that they have been built in accordance with the entire provision of that Ordinance. This is 491 less than were certified in 1902.

Cemetery.—The whole of the bodies dead of plague during the year have been buried in Cheung Sha Wan Cemetery. There is room for about 40 bodies in the Kennedy Town Cemetery, but it is advisable to reserve that space for any emergency that may arise. Twenty-five terraces have been formed in Mount Davis Cemetery: viz. 12 in Section A, 6 in B and 7 in C.

Prosecutions.—The following is a return of the prosecutions instituted during the year:

Offences.	Suspects.	Convictions.	Pendecies.	Remands.
Drainage nuisances on private premises... 154	143	\$1,002	11 withdrawn	
Failure to comply with order of magistrates 27	27	658		
Contravention of Sec. 84 of Ord. 13 of 1901... 5	5	140		
Contravention of Soc. 161 of Ord. 1 of 1903... 4	4	100		
Contravention of the Drainage Bye Laws 5	5	45		
	195	184	\$2,005 n	

The PRESIDENT said that with reference to this report he had received from Mr. Ranjanha a letter enclosing a minute relating to the drainage of two blocks of houses, one, in Caine Road and the other in Des Voeux Road, and also giving notices of certain questions. He would suggest that this minute be circulated and the questions could be answered at next meeting.

This was agreed to.

On the motion of the PRESIDENT, seconded by the VICE-PRESIDENT (Hon. W. Chatham), the report was adopted.

BYE-LAW.

On the motion of the PRESIDENT, seconded by the VICE-PRESIDENT, the draft of new Bye-laws proposed to be made under Section 16 of the Public Health and Building Ordinance, 1903, was approved, and it was agreed to recommend their approval by the Government.

BRIDGE AND STAIRCASE OVER MASON LANE.

An application was made for permission to erect a bridge and staircase over Mason Lane.

The PRESIDENT stated that it was necessary for this permission to be given by the Governor in Council.

The VICE-PRESIDENT moved that the Board recommend this application to the Governor in Council for approval.

The PRESIDENT seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

A BEACONSFIELD ARCADE OBSTRUCTION. There was laid on the table an application for exemption from removing an iron roof in the backyard of 14, Beaconsfield Arcade.

The PRESIDENT stated that the tenant of No. 14 had received notice from the P.W.D. to remove an obstruction from the backyard—that was the open space just outside the Board's office. The Board had power now under Section 155, but it did not seem advisable that it should be allowed to remain, because the M.O.H. reported that the obstruction blocked out the light from the houses, and the yard was filled with stoves and kitchen utensils. There was also a chimney which was a great nuisance not only to the residents in the Arcade but to people passing up Battery Path. He moved that the exemption be not granted.

The motion was agreed to.

"EXTERNAL AIR."

There was submitted an application relative to the question of "external air" in respect of Nos. 2 to 18, Bridges Street.

Mr. Lan Chu Pak minuted:—"None of the yards in the existing Chinese tenement houses is 13 feet wide. I think the Board should recommend Government to exempt every house with a yard not under 8 feet wide and allow two cubicles to be erected on the upper floors of such a house as originally suggested by the sub-committee. If as minuted by the Assistant M.O.H., an 8 foot yard should not be reckoned as external air, the amendment Ordinance will practically inflict the same hardship as the original Ordinance."

The minute of the Assistant M.O.H. (Dr. Barnett) referred to above was as follows:—"I do not think a yard of 8 feet ought to be counted as external air. If the rear wall of the open space could be removed (why it was ever built I can't understand) the window in rear would open into external air."

Mr. Ranjanha minuted:—"I know these houses very well. Beside the yard there is a backyard in the rear. When the plan of these houses was passed about two years ago a backyard was not then required. If the Board would not recommend this application, practically almost all houses built prior to the passing of Ordinance 1 of 1903 could not succeed in getting exemption, for there are very few blocks of buildings that have a yard and a back lane.

Besides, the provisions of the expression "external air" are not consistent with the requirements of modern sanitation. The result of the Insanitary Properties Commission was the enactment of Ordinance 36 of 1899. Owners of property were then induced to provide a back lane in lieu of a backyard; and Section 8, Sub-section A, of that Ordinance empowered the making of a back lane 6 feet wide in the place of a yard 8 feet wide, in order to encourage land-owners to provide a back lane along for a block of buildings. In 1901 when the Government thought that the Insanitary Properties Ordinance was not drastic enough the Public Health Ordinance 13 of 1901 was enacted. The regulations about open spaces were copied verbatim from the Insanitary Properties Ordinance. By the passing of the existing Ordinances Nos. 1 of 1903 and 23 of 1903, back lanes which had been provided under such alluring circumstances as above described are now found to be practically useless; and even when both back-yard and back lane have been provided, as instanced in this case, the open space in the rear is now found to be insufficient to meet new regulations. It can thus be imagined how owners of property have been dealt with during the past three years. I consider a great hardship and injustice have been done to investors of capital in landed property, which has the effect of driving a great deal of capital out of this Colony. All these changes in law have been brought about by Dr. Clark, our M.O.H., and the plan for this block of buildings, only completed a few months ago, must have been visited by him. The owner of this property, through no fault of his, will suffer a great injury if his application is refused, and the wall referred to by the Assistant M.O.H. has been built in full compliance with the law that has been repealed by the existing Ordinance."

After an examination of the plans had been made, it was agreed on the motion of the PRESIDENT to refer the matter to the D.P.W. for report.

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES.

Mr. Frank Browne, Government Analyst, reported on his analyses for the month of January that he had found the water to be of excellent quality.

RATE RETURN.

During 1903 there were 88,802 rats killed in the Colony; of these 2476 were infected with plague. For the fortnight ended on 8th inst. 662 were destroyed; of which 21 were infected.

The PRESIDENT said the percentage of infected rats had gone up nearly double within the last two weeks.

CHINA NEW YEAR AND THE MARKET.

The PRESIDENT said that it was customary at the China New Year to keep the markets open all night. He moved that they be allowed to remain open on the nights of Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next week. This was the recommendation of the C.V.S.

It was agreed to grant this permission.

There was no other important public business.

BOWLING MATCH.

To-night and to-morrow night there will be a second team bowling match between the Hongkong Club and the Club Germania. On this occasion there will be only six-a-side, as it was found difficult to get any more to practise in readiness for the game. The Club team will consist of Mr. Ellis, Lieut. Gibson, Lieut. Ford, Messrs. Sims, Holyoake, and Woodcock (captain).

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The Eighth Club Race took place on Saturday and Sunday last over No. 28 Course. The starting line was as usual Police Pier, thence to a markboat off Chung Hui (starboard), then to North Fairway Buoy, back again to Chung Hui, and home. On Saturday the championship yachts started at 1.30 p.m. Only two yachts crossed the line when the gun fired, viz. the *Dione*, steered by His Excellency the Acting Governor, and the *Elephant*. The *Aileen* came up from her moorings and crossed the line between 3 and 4 minutes later. The wind was blowing strong from the S.E., and as the yachts neared the markboat it increased in force to half a gale, and the strong ebb from the Kep Ling Mun running down against it produced a nasty choppy sea.

The *Dione* reached the markboat about 4 lengths ahead of *Elephant*, and the *Aileen* came up 2 minutes later. *Dione* and *Elephant* had to gybe round the mark, and whilst rounding they came into collision, the *Elephant* knocking a hole in *Dione*'s starboard bilge, through which the water poured. *Dione*'s helm was promptly put up and she ran under the sheltered side of Chung Hui, and she filled with water as she touched the beach. Beating up to the N. Fairway Buoy the great weight and power of the *Aileen* told in the heavy cross sea, and she gradually slowed to windward of the *Elephant*, and increasing her lead in the second round won easily.

The times of the finish were as follows:

H. M. S.
Aileen 4 44 34
Elephant 4 51 55

A protest has been lodged against the *Elephant*.

On Sunday light airs and calms prevailed on very different sailing day to the Saturday.

At gunfire at 1 p.m. the five one-design yachts crossed the line, and *Erica* taking the lead kept it to the end. The wind fell almost entirely at the finish, and *Bonito* drifted the wrong side of the mark boat and was unable to finish.

The handicap yachts followed the one-design boats after ten minutes interval.

The *Alannah* soon established a long lead and came in an easy winner. *Doreen* had a good race with the *Gloria*, eventually beating her, but disqualify herself by fouling the North Fairway buoy. The rest did not finish. The times at the finish were:

H. M. S.
Erica 3 45 0
Min 3 48 10
Kathleen 3 49 0
Colleen 3 49 35

HANDICAP CLASS.

H. M. S.
Alannah 3 52 30
Iris 4 20 50
Doreen 4 43 0

SUICIDE AT ABERDEEN.

It was reported on Wednesday by the police that on the previous day a young Chinaman had committed suicide at Aberdeen by hanging himself to a tree. The dead body was found suspended and was cut down. Deceased was only 22 years of age. He used to be employed by the Harbourmaster, and recently got dismissed for what reason does not transpire. It is presumed that his dismissal had preyed on his mind and led him to take his own life.

HONGKONG & KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH CO., LTD.

WINDING UP.

An extraordinary general meeting of the above company was held at the office of Messrs. Ewens & Harston, solicitors, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, last evening. For some considerable time there were not enough shareholders to form a quorum, but eventually three were gathered together for the transaction of the company's business. The three gentlemen were Messrs. Tang Cheuk Hing, Yei Min Chai, and Ho Kwai Seung.

Mr. Ho Kwan Seung, in the absence of Mr. Ng Lau Tong, managing director of the company, proposed that Mr. Tang Cheuk Hing be requested to take the chair.

Mr. Yei Min Chai seconded and the proposal was agreed to.

After Mr. Yei Min Chai had read the notice convening the meeting the CHAIRMAN proposed that the Company be wound up voluntarily under the provisions of the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong and that Mr. Tang Cheuk Hing be appointed liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

Mr. Ho Kwan Seung seconded and the motion was carried.

That was all the business.

THE COMING RACES.

The following were some of yesterday morning's times:

Aladdin, 12-miles—34, 1.07, 1.41, 2.15,

2.51,
Quebec, 1-mile—39, 1.13, 1.46, 2.10,
Thistle and *Good Bye*, 14-miles—43, 1.20,
2.09, 3.4, 3.17,

Protection, 14-miles—30, 1.14, 1.50, 2.23,
2.56,

Rex and *Royal*, 4-mile—34, 1.09, 1.44,
Dormouse, 3-mile—33, 1.04,

Alarm and *Mongoose*, 1-mile—35, 1.11, 1.46,
2.21,

Ben Roy, 1-mile—last t., 35, 1.09,

Standard and *Tai Yat*, 14-miles—40, 1.14,
1.50, 2.02, 3.03, 3.37,

Moderately, 1-mile—34, 1.17, 1.52, 2.24,

Grander, 3-mile—33, 1.08, 1.45,

Ca Connay and *Reed Toorie*, 1-mile—last t.,
34, 1.09,

Snark, 4-mile—33, 1.07,

Fair Trade, 14-miles—43, 1.20, 2.35, 3.06,

Colonial and *Manila*, 1-mile, last t., 32, 1.07,

Zou all and *Pest*, 4-mile—43, 1.21, 1.58,

Tee To Tum, 3-mile—32, 1.05, 1.41,

Remuant, 4-mile—57,

Cher Sui, 4-mile—33, 1.02, 1.30,

Runaway Girl, 1-mile, last t., 33, 59, 1.28,

Dandy, 1-mile—33, 1.04, 1.36, 2.04,

School Girl, 1-mile—28, 57, 1.23, 1.5

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BOX 701,
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1904. [507]

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Notification No. 74 of 5th February, 1904, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 16th and 17th instant, respectively.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [508]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOOCHOW.

The Company's Steamship "THALES," Captain Robinson, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 15th inst., at 11 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to:

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1904. [509]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN
FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND AMOY.
THE J. C. J. Lijn Steamship

"TIPANAS."

Captain P. Zwart, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed, that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th February, 1904, will be subject to rent.

All Claims for damage must be sent in before the 15th February, at Noon, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

The steamer will be despatched for Singapore, Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar, on the 13th inst., at daylight.

HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING COMPANY,

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [505]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed, that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, To-DAY, 11th inst.

Goods not cleared before the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and notice of same sent to this Office before the 21st inst., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISIA.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [506]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS AND CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

will be ready-to-morrow, and will contain:

The War between Japan and Russia.

Britain and France and the War.

The United States and China.

Municipal Trading at Shanghai.

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The War.

Fiscal Debate in Hongkong.

Hongkong Cricket Club Dance.

New Territory Notes.

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Hongkong, 18th November, 1901.

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Hongkong, 13th June, 1903. [534]

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Late Trams will run a quarter of an hour after the fall of the curtain.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [1349]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

A EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS called for the 9th February, is hereby POSTPONED until TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 12th FEBRUARY, at 5 P.M. in the CRICKET PAVILION.

The following Resolutions will be proposed:

1. That a New Pavilion be erected forthwith in the North-West Corner of the Cricket Ground at a total cost not exceeding \$20,000.

2. That the plans of Messrs. DENISON, RAM & GIBBS be accepted.

3. That the Tender of KING TAK CHEONG be accepted.

4. That the sum required be raised by the issue of 6 per cent. Debentures of \$50 each, repayable in 10 yearly drawings commencing on 31st October, 1905.

5. That Rule 16 be amended by substituting \$15 for \$10.

By Order,

A. G. WARD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1904. [433]

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [436]

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [433]

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [500]

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Amoy, 20th January, 1904. [321]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [203]

NOTICE.

M R. J. R. SYMINGTON begs to thank all Friends who kindly extended their sympathy to him during his recent bereavement.

Kowloon, 10th February, 1904. [499]

LOST.

A FOX TERRIER, White and Yellow; Licence No. 230. The Finder will be rewarded if necessary.

No. 2, Connaught Road, 4th Floor.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [498]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE No. 448 for Six Shares Nos. 11471/1436 standing in the Register of the Company in the name of Mrs. FLORENCE MINA HUNT has been lost.

Notice is hereby given that a new Certificate for the said Six Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.,

General Agents for the

WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [503]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN,

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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [1249]

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J. D. EDWARDS,
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Amoy, 3rd December, 1903. [76]

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Hongkong, 21st March, 1903. [475]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [333]
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TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1902,
£16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000 0 0
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000 0 0
PAID UP CAPITAL..... 687,500 0 0
II. FIRE FUNDS..... 2,867,315 11 10

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates, SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [188]

THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates. HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO. Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [2160]

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THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates. SIEMSEN & CO. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [1]

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REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [98]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO Agents for the Phenix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [19]

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA. INCORPORATED 1861.

Cash Security... ... £25,719
Total Losses Paid... ... £6,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

W.M. MEYERINK & CO Agents.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [94]

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THE Undersigned are prepared to accept First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSURANCE. Prospects on application.

TUENER & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [267]

NEW TERRITORY NOTES.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

11th February.

CHINESE OFFICIALDOM.

Ma Tak-sang, who is a native of Hupeh, has been appointed military mandarin of San On, following Chan Lenug-kit. The new mandarin is a Mahomedan. Since he has assumed the duties he has had rather a rough time, for robbers have been very active in the countryside. A gang of about 100 men attacked a pawnshop in the market town of Po Hak-hu in the last week of January. This town is about six miles north of the city of Samochun. The robbers intimidated the inhabitants and attempted to force open the doors of the pawnshop. In this they were unsuccessful and they resorted to the use of dynamite and blasted holes in the wall. In the affair one of the pawnshop folk was killed. Property to the value of about \$3,000 was carried away by the robbers. Owing to lack of men—he has got only about 50 braves—the mandarin was unable to follow up the robbers and attack them in their stronghold. I understand that the military strength of the district will be increased. There have been numerous other robberies of late in the neighbourhood of Samochun.

THE STOCKS.

The first time that the stocks as an instrument of punishment have been introduced to the New Territory was this week. Two men stole some cattle on the Chinese side of the border and sold them in British territory, at the market town of Ts Long. Of this offence they were convicted in front of Mr. Sercombe Smith and sentenced to six months' imprisonment and six hours' exposure in the stocks. An escort of one Indian sergeant and five constables took the miscreants out and saw to the infliction of the punishment ordered by the Magistrate, afterwards bringing them back to Hongkong to undergo their term of incarceration. The capture of the thieves was effected through the instrumentality of the Auton detective staff.

EUROPEAN OFFICIALS.

Mr. C. M. G. Messer has taken over the charge of the Land Court at Tai Po. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe is acting in the capacity of Magistrate for the New Territory. Sergeant Clark is leaving Shatin to join the Land Court in carrying out of work in the Territory.

CUSTOMS.

Mr. Schubert, the officer in charge of the Frontier Customs, is going on leave soon, and I hear that Mr. Sachau, presently in charge of the Kwelmin Customs Station, will take his place.

CROPS.

Some time ago the Government introduced into the New Territory samples of sugar-cane from the Straits Settlements, with the object of improving the sugar-cane produced locally. These samples were given out to certain farmers so that it might be grown alongside the native plants. In a characteristic Chinese way the agriculturist population did not in any way evince the slightest interest in the efforts being made by the Government for their benefit. Instead of giving the imported cane a chance to grow up and be compared with their own cane they gave no attention to it, and in some cases gave it away. This is the time when the Government had expected to have been able to secure some data as a result of their experiment. I understand that they have got little or none at all after all their trouble. The sugar-cane crop is now all out. Sweet potatoes will be a very poor crop. The recent frost and the absence of rain have combined to injure the plants very seriously.

SAMOHN RIVER DANGERS.

Not very long ago there was a serious boating accident on the Samoahn River, as a result of which more than half-a-dozen people lost their lives. Unless some change is made in the methods ruling the passenger traffic on the river there are bound to be more accidents. When the river launches go up the river from Hongkong as far as the state of the tide will permit them the passengers are taken off by covered-in boats of the same type that proved such a veritable death-trap on the recent occasion to which I refer. Inside these craft the passengers huddle in numbers far beyond the carrying capacity which they boast. Especially at this season of the year when so many Chinese go up into the country from Hongkong to spend the New Year Holidays, the dangers of the river are more obvious than ever. Not content with completely filling the interior of the boats the Chinese sit on the roofs and when way is put on the craft they wobble about from side to side in a manner that is alarming enough in all conscience to any European passenger who may be on board but which does not seem to trouble the phlegmatic Celestials in the least. I suppose the evil will continue to exist until perhaps some European is drowned through the want of regulation of the traffic and then drastic reforms will be rushed through in the customary way that British authorities have of locking the stable-door after the horse is stolen. The trade of the river is developing so rapidly that a continual police patrol would not be out of place.

GAME.

There is not much to be had in the way of sport except pigeon-shooting. Of pigeons there is any amount to be got just now, and as a rule they are in excellent condition and very strong on the wing.

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Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [306]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

The following is the report of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., to the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders, to be held at the offices of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 22nd February, at noon.

The directors have now to submit to you their report, with a statement of accounts for the half-year ended 31st December, 1903.

The net profit for the six months, after paying interest due and all charges, amounts to \$514,396.34

to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account \$14,203.70

\$828,690.04

and from this have to be deducted—

Directors' fees... \$0.000.00

Auditors' fees... 750.00

40,750.00

leaving available for appropriation \$417,940.44

The directors recommend that a dividend for the half-year of 12 per cent. or \$300,000, and a bonus of 2 per cent. or \$50,000, in all \$350,000, be paid to the shareholders; that \$42,699.35 be written off the value of Kowloon Docks, and the balance \$425,340.69 be carried to the new account. The fitting and brass-work machinery has been fixed up, and a spacious building for stores and tools erected. Extensions have been found necessary to the foundry and joiner's shop buildings and additions to plant in the ship-yard.

The engineering plant, motors, &c., for the electric drive, and the standards for yard lighting, are on the spot. The engines and dynamos are shipped and may be expected shortly.

The dredger Canton River has again been employed excavating the foreshore in front of Kowloon Dockyard to provide berths for ships under repair, and is now under charter to Messrs. Batterfield and Swire for work at Canton.

DIRECTORS.

Messrs. G. H. Melhurst and C. Michaelau having left the Colony, Messrs. E. S. Wheller and A. Haupt have been invited by the Directors to the vacant seats at the Board. Mr. E. W. Tilden has been invited to join the Board. These appointments require to be confirmed by the shareholders at this meeting.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the Articles of Association, Messrs. D. E. Brown and A. Haupt retire by rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., has been re-appointed chairman for the year 1904.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Thomas Arnold and H. U. Jeffries. The directors recommend Messrs. Arnold and Jeffries for re-election.

CUSTOMS.

The accounts are as follows:—
CAPITAL ACCOUNT.
July to December, 1903.
31st Dec., 1903. ASSETS.
Aberdeen. To value of Aberdeen Docks, as per last statement... 100,000.00

To amount paid on account of removal of hill on the new extension, Kowloon machine lot No. 27... 74.25

To working expenses of dredger Canton River dredging foreshore near wharf and shipbuilding department... 10,407.46

To amount paid on account of removing hill at back of new forge... 7,057.59

To amount paid on account of new fitting and brass-workshop... 54,928.00

To amount paid on account of removing hill at back of new forge... 449.00

To amount paid on account of new electric installation... 3,937.00

To amount paid on account of new electric installation... 2,595.68

To amount paid on account of additional sanitary arrangements for No. 1 dock... 479.00

To amount paid on account of mounding... 10,634.00

To amount paid on account of joining a shop extension... 13,889.00

To amount paid on account of shipland and boat extension... 14,529.00

To amount paid on account of sawmill converting shed into store... 1,077.00

To amount paid on account of new power house... 30,054.00

To cost of iron plate bending rolling mill... 22,405.42

To cost of new band saw for sawmill... 655.00

To cost of surface condensing plants, engines, dynamos, electric motors, &c., for new power house... 103,637.23

To cost of new machine tools for engine shop... 9,306.67

To cost of new machine tools for brass shop... 5,602.85

2,142,399.35

Cosmopolitan. To value of Cosmopolitan Dock, as per last statement... 32,772.04

Loss amount since written off... 2,772.04

300,000.00

At Dec., 1903. LIABILITIES.

By shareholders for 53,000 shares of \$50 each, fully paid... 2,500,000.00

By Admiralty loan... 250,000.00

Less re-payments... 14,236.93

\$1,725.10 at 17 per cent. 72,562.88

By marine insurance account... 72,563.88

By steady creditors... 1,491,174.02

Forward from last account \$311,293.70

By profit... 514,396.34

828,690.04

\$4,878,928.81

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

31st Dec., 1903. S. C.

To Crown rent... 38,402.55

To fire insurance... 3,962.45

To office expenses, salaries, stationery and rent of head office... 3,923.75

To drawing office expenses and salaries... 18,507.00

To telegrams... 2,866.04

To legal expenses... 634.30

To marine insurance account... 8,750.10

26 profits... 518,330.54

\$629,204.46

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

1st July to 31st Dec.,

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 11, CRUZADERA, British str., 1,435, Brown, Moji 5th Feb., Coal.—DODWELL & CO., LTD.
Feb. 11, HSINKI, Chinese str., from Canton.
Feb. 11, INABA, MAIU, Japanese str., 3,837, Wm. Bainbridge, London 3rd Jan., General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Feb. 11, INDRAPIRA, British str., 2,530, Heron, Portland 1st Jan. and Moji 6th Feb., Flour and General—P. & A. S. CO.
Feb. 11, LEGASPI, American str., 985, Vraptor, Manila 6th Feb.—ORDER.
Feb. 11, LOONMOON, German steamer, 1,245, Schutz, Chinkiang 7th Feb., General—SIEMENS & CO.
Feb. 11, LOONGHANG, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigell, Manila 8th Feb., Bruny, General—JARDINE, MATTHEWS & CO.
Feb. 11, PRINS VALDEMAR, Danish str., 3,614, Koel, Moji 6th Feb., General—MEICHERS & CO.
Feb. 11, PROGRESS, German str., 887, Bremer, Toulon 8th Feb. and Hoichow 10th, General—SIPMSEN & CO.
Feb. 11, TJPANAS, Dutch str., 2,679, Zwart, Yokohama 27th Jan. and Amoy 9th Feb., General—HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO.
Feb. 11, TSINAN, British str., 1,460, C. Lindberg, Kuching 2nd Feb., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

CLEARANCES
AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE.

11th February.
Fausing, British str., for Saigon.
Inaba Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.
Kohsichang, German str., for Bangkok.
Loompoon, German str., for Canton.
Progress, German str., for Swatow.
Tsintau, German str., for Bangkok.

DEPARTURES.

11th February.
ANDALUSIA, German str., for Yokohama.
BAMBER, German str., for Shanghai.
CHANGSHA, British str., for Yokohama.
HAICHOW, British str., for Swatow.
PERLA, British str., for Pahoi.
PHU YEN, French str., for Saigon.
UNDINE, Norwegian str., for Kobe.
TAISHUN, Chinese str., for Canton.
WAISHING, British str., for Canton.
VESSELS IN DOCK.

11th February.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—M. Stewart.
KOWLOON DOCKS.—H. I. G. M. S. Moore, Tar-
tar, H. M. S. Glory, Ellen Rickmers, Sunykiang,
Lydia, Lin Tan, Hu, Kuijung, Yuensang, Tak
Hing, Karin, H. M. S. Thetis, H. M. S. Vestal,
Legupi.
C. ENOPOLITAN DOCK.—Tritos, Barco.

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Hongkong, 5th February, 1904.

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transhipped at Colombo into a steamer bound
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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1904.

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LONDON, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	MALTA	Brit. str.	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow. Noon.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP, &c.	PALERMO	Brit. str.	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 12th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	1st March
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYUNE	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	1st March
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	28th March
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Brit. str.	BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	23rd inst., at 1 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	YAZERA	Brit. str.	Soller	MESAGHESSES MARITIMES	17th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GERA	Brit. str.	R. Dahl	MELCHERS & CO.	About 10th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	C. FRED. LAEISZ	Brit. str.	Kock	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	26th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SITHONIA	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BATAVIA	Brit. str.	Hildbrandt	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SAMBIA	Brit. str.	Dampwolff	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	ABESSINIA	Brit. str.	Lamling	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SUVIA	Brit. str.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	AJAX	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GISELA	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
LONDON & ANTWERP	JAVA	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	WOOUNG	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
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LONDON & ANTWERP	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	2nd April.
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FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PAK LING"	On 12th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MENELAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"RHAPSUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

HOME WARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"KEEUMEN"	On 22nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"AJAX"	On 20th March.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"PAK LING"	On 29th March.

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Hongkong, 11th February, 1904.

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Allowing any one to prepare extracts
"Vichy water at home."

BEWARE OF FORGERY

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTER-
DAM, ANTWERP, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"BAMBERG."

Captain Mittaloff, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-DAY, the 10th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 16th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1904.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "OLYMPIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-
HAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

The above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-DAY, the 10th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BILLS OF LADING WILL BE COUNTERSIGNED BY
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1904.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"SEYDLITZ."

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Friday, the 12th February, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 17th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BILLS OF LADING WILL BE COUNTERSIGNED BY
DAVID SASSOUN & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1904.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"ANDALUSIA."

Captain G. Schmidt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, To-DAY, the 8th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1904.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"CAPRI."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company, within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 15th instant

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

PARCEL POST TO MANILA.
Parcels are now received at this office for transmission to Manila. The same regulations as to weight limit, postage, etc., etc., will apply as is at present in vogue for parcels to America direct. Books containing stamps of the following denominations may be obtained at the counter of General Post Office for \$1.00:
Each—
16 stamps at 4 cents
12 " " 2 "
12 " " 3 "

Until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dalny and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

CHINESE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

The Post Office will be entirely closed on Tuesday, the 10th inst. (Chinese New Year's Day). On Wednesday, the 11th inst., the Office will be open from 7 to 11.30 a.m. to despatch the outgoing German Mail only. Correspondence posted up to 10 a.m. only will be sent out for delivery on that day.

The Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

The Coptic, with the American mail, left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 10th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here to-day.

The Ballarat, with the English Mail of 15th ult., left Singapore on Sunday, the 7th inst., at 3 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 15th December.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton		
Bangkok		
Bangkok		
Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta		
Macao		
Shanghai		
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samui		
Kongmoon, Kunchuk and Samui		
Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne		
Hoihow and Haiphong		
Namao		
Samboe		
Macao		
Wingehai		
Canton		
Manila		
Haiphong		
Singapore, Penang and Bombay		
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria B.C., & Tacoma		
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO		(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
EUROPE, &c., India via Taticorin		(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Manila		
Canton		
Foochow		
Straits and Calenta		
EUROPE, &c., India via Taticorin		(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Shanghai		
Mauna, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne		
Manila		
EUROPE, &c., India via Taticorin		(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver		

TO-DAY.

Sale, Law Books, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammer, 239 p.m.
Extraordinary General Meeting of Hongkong Cricket Club, Cricket Pavilion, 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammer, noon.
Sale, Clothing, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.
Performance, Theatre Royal, City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.— 11th February.

Telegraphic Transfer 1.10^t
Bank Bills, on demand 1.10^t
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1.11^t
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1.11^t
Credits at 4 months' sight 1.11^t
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 1.11^t

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand 2.04^t

Credits, at 4 months' sight 3.14^t

ON GERMANY.—

On demand 1.96

ON NEW YORK.—

Bank Bills, on demand 4.6^t

Credits, 60 days' sight 4.7^t

ON BOMBAY.—

Telegraphic Transfer 4.4^t

Bank, on demand 4.4^t

ON CALCUTTA.—

Telegraphic Transfer 4.4^t

Bank, on demand 4.4^t

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, at sight 7.0^t

Private, 30 days' sight 7.1^t

ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand 9.4^t

ON MELBOURNE.—On demand Nominal

ON SINGAPORE.—On demand Nominal

ON BATAVIA.—On demand 1.18

ON HAMPSHIRE.—On demand 1.4^t p.m.

ON SAIGON.—On demand 1.1^t p.m.

ON BANGKOK.—On demand 63

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate 10.20

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 55.50

BAR SILVER, per oz. 261

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic* left Shanghai for this port on the 10th inst., at daylight, and is due here to-day, at 10 a.m.

The P. & O. steamer *Kivu* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu &c., on the 2nd inst.

The O. & O. steamer *Gauleic* left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu &c., on the 10th inst.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer *Ballarat* left Singapore for this port on the 7th inst., at 3 p.m., and is due here to-morrow, at 8 a.m.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer *Nansang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 9th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 16th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Gera* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 9th

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 1st February.

COMPANY	Paid Up.	Quotations.
Hongkong & Shantung	\$125	\$122, sales.
Nat'l Bank of China	48	\$83, ex div., buy.
A. Share	28	\$83, ex div., buy.
B. Shares	41	\$83, ex div., buy.
Hill's Asbestos Co. A.	41	\$10, sellers
Canton-Hongkong Ice Company	10	\$10, nominal
China Rubber Co., Ltd.	12	\$12, buyers
China Light & Heat Co.	10	\$10
Power Co., Ltd.	10	\$10
China Prov. &c.	10	\$10, sellers & buyers
China Steel Co.	10	\$10, buyers
China Compt.	10	\$10, buyers
Aluminum Co.	10	\$10, buyers
Philippines Co.	10	\$10, buyers
cotton Mills	10	\$10, buyers
Ewo International	10	\$10, sellers
Taiping ...	10	\$10, 25.
Longkong ...	10	\$10, 35.
Dairy Farm	10	\$10, 170.
Fruek & Co., Geen Green Island Compt.	10	\$10, 140, buyers
Hongkong & C.	10	\$10, 122, sellers
H. H. L. Transport Co.	100	\$10, 67, sellers
H. L. Steam. Water. Boat Co. Ltd.	10	\$10, buyers
Hongkong Hotel	50	\$10, 18, sellers
H. K. Wang & Co.	50	\$10, 18, buyers
Hongkong Ropeway	10	\$10, 18, buyers
H. & D. Deck	50	\$10, 18, 21.
Insurance	10	\$10, sellers
Canton	10	\$10, 175, sellers
China Fire	10	\$10, 172, sellers
China Traders	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Hongkong Fire	10	\$10, 160, buyers
North China	10	\$10, 167, buyers
Union	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Lan Guo	10	\$10, 160.
Hongkong Land Inv.	100	\$10, 160, sellers
Humphreys E.	10	\$10, 160, sellers & sell.
Kowloon Land & West Point Building	100	\$10, 160, sellers
Shanghai Land	100	\$10, 160, sellers
Luzon Sugar	100	\$10, 160, sellers
Mining	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Charbonnages	100	\$10, 160, sellers
Fuson	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Do. Preference	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Rauts	10	\$10, 160, sellers
New Amoy Dock	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Powell, Ltd.	10	\$10, 160, sellers
Steamship Coys.	10	\$10, 160, sellers
China and Manilla	10	\$10, 160, buyers
Douglas Steamship	10	\$10, 160, buyers
H. Canton and M.	10	\$10, 160, ex div., sell.
Int.-China Co.	10	\$10, 160, 165, sales
Sea Transport and Trading Co.	10	\$10, 160, buyers
Do. Professors	10	\$10, 160, nominal
Star Ferry	10	\$10, 160, sellers
S.C.F. Bay & Co., Ltd.	100	\$10, 160, sellers
S. & H. Dying & Co., Ltd.	10	\$10, 160.
Tebrain Planting Co.	10	\$10, nominal
United Asbestos	10	\$10, 160.
Do.	10	\$10, 160, buyers
Watkins, Ltd.	10	\$10, 160, 164, 165, sales
Watson & Co., A.S.	10	\$10, 160.

OPTIONAL.

11th February.

Quotations are:—Allowance net to 1 catty.

Malva New \$925 to \$945 per pound

Malva Old \$70 to \$90 "

Malva Older \$100 to \$1050 "

Malva V. Old \$1080 to \$1100 "

Persian fine quality 1900 to —

Persian extra fine 910 to —

Petra New \$1290 to — per chev.

Petra Old to —

Bonares New \$1285 to —

Bonares Old to —

Barossa Old to —

Barossa New to —

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